

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 798

By Wirgau

A RESOLUTION to recognize the life of service and professional achievements of John Cousins Tripp.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should specially recognize those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, John Cousins Tripp of Puryear is one such person, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, born September 7, 1941, in Louisville, Kentucky, John Cousins Tripp is a graduate of Atherton High School; and

WHEREAS, John Tripp proudly served in the United States Air Force for six years and was stationed at RAD Lakenheath Air Base in England, where he was assigned to the Air Force Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, a highly skilled golfer, Mr. Tripp represented the U.S. Air Force as a premier member of the Air Force Golf Team, playing teams from other military service branches and foreign militaries; and

WHEREAS, John Tripp earned recognition as a Professional Golf Association (PGA) golf pro, befitting his tremendous talents on the golf course; and

WHEREAS, following his military service, Mr. Tripp was employed by the Brown and Williamson Company for many years, where he demonstrated the utmost professionalism, competence, and probity before taking his retirement; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, John Cousins Tripp has been recognized as an official Kentucky Colonel by his native state of Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, John Tripp is most appreciative of the love and support of his family, namely his life partner, Virginia Sawyers, who is a native of Puryear; his children, Janell, Troy, Jason, and James; his six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, John Cousins Tripp exemplifies the spirit of community and leadership that is characteristic of a true Tennessean, and he should be specially recognized for his many accomplishments and devoted work; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend John Cousins Tripp on his lifetime of achievement and his countless acts of public service, extending our best wishes for continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.